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Survey
Results
Include

• Cattle on Feed
• Annual Livestock Slaughter
• Wool Production
• Potato Stocks
• Supply & Disappearance

Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office. Thank you for your response to these surveys.

Mark Harris Director

Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 2 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.51 million cattle on feed on March 1, up 2 percent from last year and 8 percent above March 1, 2005. This is the highest March 1 inventory since the series began in 1994. Placements of cattle into feedlots during February totaled 360,000 head, up 9 percent from 2006 and 14 percent above 2005. Fed cattle marketings for the month of February totaled 380,000 head, up 6 percent from last year and 15 percent above February two years ago. Other disappearance during February totaled 10,000 head compared with 10,000 head during February 2006 and 15,000 head February 2005.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 4 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.6 million head on March 1, 2007. The inventory was 4 percent below March 1, 2006 but 4 percent above March 1, 2005. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.66 million, 4 percent above 2006 and 9 percent above 2005. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.71 million, 7 percent above 2006 and 5 percent above 2005. Other disappearance totaled 75,000 during February, 3 percent above 2006 but 3 percent below 2005.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2006-2007

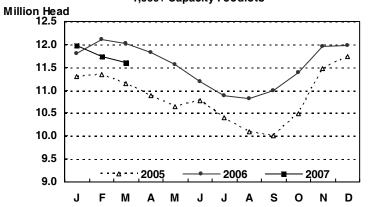
		March 1	<u>-</u>	February			February			February		
State	Number on Feed ¹			Placements			Marketings			Other Disappearance ²		
State	2006	2007	2007 2006	2006	2007	2007 2006	2006	2007	2007 2006	2006	2007	2007 2006
_	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
Arizona	351	329	94	31	24	77	24	28	117	2	1	50
California	550	530	96	63	60	95	56	67	120	7	3	43
Colorado	1,090	1,010	93	140	140	100	155	160	103	5	10	200
Idaho	255	250	98	32	39	122	38	43	113	4	1	25
Iowa	520	530	102	60	64	107	58	63	109	2	1	50
Kansas	2,610	2,420	93	410	395	96	360	380	106	20	25	125
Nebraska	2,450	2,510	102	330	360	109	360	380	106	10	10	100
New Mexico	143	130	91	13	14	108	14	18	129	2	1	50
Oklahoma	365	350	96	49	59	120	56	58	104	3	1	33
South Dakota	210	230	110	33	43	130	29	41	141	4	2	50
Texas	3,010	2,790	93	360	390	108	370	385	104	10	15	150
Washington	154	170	110	25	25	100	22	31	141	2	1	50
Other States	315	350	111	42	46	110	60	57	95	2	4	200
United States	12,023	11,599	96	1,588	1,659	104	1,602	1,711	107	73	75	103

¹Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

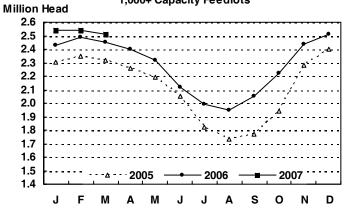
² Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, March 23, 2007

United States Cattle on Feed 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots



Nebraska Cattle on Feed 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

Commercial Cattle Slaughter: Top Five States, 2001-2006¹

	2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006	
Rank State	Ctata	1,000	Stata	1,000	Ctata	1,000	Stata	1,000	Curt	1,000	Ctata	1,000
	Head	State	Head	Head State	Head	State	Head	State	Head	State	Head	
1	Nebr.	7,694	Nebr.	7,862	Nebr.	7,661	Kansas	7,182	Kansas	7,321	Kansas	7,543
2	Kansas	7,272	Kansas	7,404	Kansas	7,357	Nebr.	6,903	Nebr.	7,029	Nebr.	7,069
3	Texas	6,463	Texas	6,472	Texas	6,495	Texas	6,179	Texas	6,238	Texas	6,485
4	Colo.	2,605	Colo.	2,596	Colo.	2,480	Colo.	2,415	Colo.	2,087	Colo.	2,116
5	Wisc.	1,659	Wisc.	1,665	Wisc.	1,669	Wisc.	1,458	Wisc.	1,439	Wisc.	1,583

Includes slaughter in federally inspected and in other slaughter plants, but excludes animals on farms. Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, 2006 Summary, March 2007.

Federally Inspected Plants and Head Slaughtered: Number by Species, Selected States and United States, 2006¹

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State	C	attle	Ca	lves	Н	logs	Sheep and Lambs		
State	Plants	Head	Plants	Head	Plants	Head	Plants	Head	
	Number	1,000	Number	1,000	Number	1,000	Number	1,000	
California	24	1,526.8	12	91.3	16	2,498.2			
Colorado	20	2,109.6			16	7.3	16	1,052.9	
Illinois			9	44.3	25	9,315.1	16	152.7	
Indiana			1	2.8	8	7,338.9	3	14.8	
Iowa					21	29,627.3	5	407.7	
Kansas	20	7,509.6							
Kentucky	18	7.5			20	2,460.0	17	11.3	
Minnesota	21	697.1			21	9,355.0	14	1.8	
Nebraska	32	7,038.0			23	7,201.5			
Ohio	11	42.8			14	1,034.9	6	0.3	
Pennsylvania	81	842.0	36	178.0	77	2,946.0	62	53.2	
South Dakota					5	4,346.8	4	11.8	
Texas	36	6,461.9	7	8.3	24	334.0	20	41.3	
Virginia	14	2.5	11	0.7	14	2,058.8	14	9.7	
Wisconsin	9	1,538.5			6	471.8	4	2.0	
United States	636	33,145.0	238	698.7	614	103,688.5	484	2,547.0	

¹ Includes data for the calendar year.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter 2006 Summary, March 2007

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Wool: Number of Sheep and Lambs Shorn, Weight per Fleece, Production, Price and Value, Nebraska and United States 2004-2006

State	Sheep and Lambs Shorn	Weight per Fleece	Production	Price per Pound	Value
Nebraska	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
2004	83	7.2	600	.43	258
2005	85	7.1	600	.40	240
2006	80	7.5	600	.36	216
United States					
2004	5,073	7.4	37,622	.80	29,921
2005	5,072	7.3	37,232	.71	26,272
2006	4,852	7.4	36,019	.68	24,414

Source: USDA NASS Sheep and Goats, February 2, 2007

Potato Stocks

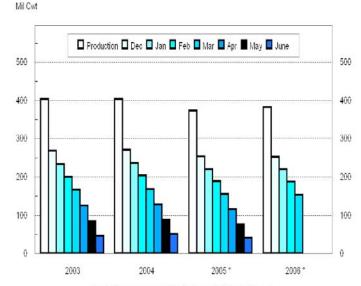
Fall Potatoes: 2006 Production and March 1, 2007¹ Stocks

	Crop of 2006					
State	Duodustion	Total Stocks				
	Production	Mar. 1, 2007				
	1,000 Cwt.	1,000 Cwt.				
California	3,783	1,200				
Colorado	22,686	11,300				
Idaho	121,820	53,500				
Maine	18,270	10,000				
Michigan	14,190	3,500				
Minnesota	20,400	7,900				
Montana	3,518	3,000				
Nebraska	8,633	3,300				
New York	5,700	800				
North Dakota	25,480	9,500				
Oregon	18,533	9,700				
Washington	89,900	28,500				
Wisconsin	29,370	11,000				
Total 13 States	382,283	153,200				

The Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop.

Source: USDA NASS Potato Stocks, March 15, 2007

Fall Potatoes: Production and Stocks 15 Storage States



Production by crop year. Stocks by months following harvest.

* 13 Storage States for 2005 and 2006.

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

		Supp	ply		Ma	rket Year D	Market			
Crop	Pro-	Begin-	Im		Dom	Domestic			Year	Average Market
Year	duction	ning stocks	Im- ports	Total	Primary Use ²	Other	Ex- ports	Total	Ending Stocks	Price
					Million Bushe	els				\$/bu.
Corn										
2004/05	11,807	958	11	12,776	6,158	2,686	1,818	10,662	2,114	2.06
2005/06	11,114	2,114	9	13,237	6,141	2,981	2,147	11,270	1,967	2.00
$2006/07^3$	10,535	1,967	10	12,512	5,975	3,535	2,250	11,760	752	3.00-3.40
Soybeans										
2004/05	3,124	112	6	3,242	1,696	192	1,097	2,986	256	5.74
2005/06	3,063	256	3	3,322	1,739	187	947	2,873	449	5.66
$2006/07^3$	3,188	449	4	3,642	1,780	166	1,100	3,046	595	6.10-6.50
Wheat										
2004/05	2,158	546	71	2,775	910	260	1,066	2,235	540	3.40
2005/06	2,105	540	82	2,727	915	231	1,009	2,155	571	3.42
$2006/07^3$	1,812	571	115	2,498	925	226	875	2,026	472	4.20-4.30
Sorghum										
2004/05	454	34	0	487	191	55	184	430	57	1.79
2005/06	393	57	0	450	140	50	195	384	66	1.86
$2006/07^3$	278	66	0	343	110	45	150	305	38	3.10-3.50

Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, March 9, 2007

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¹ Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ² Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food.